

## SHERRY ON TRIAL FOR 'SASSING' HEAD OF POLICE FORCE

Told Commissioner Cropsey  
He Was Making Cowards  
of the Policemen.

HAD LAWYER THIS TIME.

But This Fact Indirectly Pre-  
vented the Case From  
Being Dismissed.

William A. Sherry, the policeman from Rockaway station who told Commissioner Cropsey that he was making cowards of members of the police force, and that it would soon be essential to put on white gloves before arresting a burglar, was tried today at headquarters. Incidentally, Mr. Cropsey had his little fling at the newspapers.

Originally Sherry had been arraigned for leaving his post and going to a railroad yard without getting permission to make the trip. He said that he went after two suspicious characters, and that if he had stopped to telephone for permission the men would have escaped. While waiting in the trial room for his own case to be heard the policeman watched the proceedings in other cases. He said the comments made by other policemen upon the character of police trials led him to make his little speech to the Commissioner.

In a Double Role.

Sherry at the trial today insisted that he had been his own lawyer at the prior session, and that he had the right as counsel to use the language on which the new charges were brought. Sherry thought he was twice—policeman Sherry and Counselor Sherry—and he wanted the distinction registered in his favor.

But in coming to court today he took the precaution to bring along Louis J. Grant, an attorney. The new charges against the policeman stated that he was guilty of insubordination, using disrespectful language to the Commissioner, improper language to a sergeant, and that he was not quiet and orderly before the Commissioner.

Mr. Grant asked if the Commissioner did not see the impropriety of sitting as both judge and prosecutor. He pointed out that four deputies had the same trial powers and one of them ought to act.

Mr. Cropsey could not see the objection, and Stenographer Ahrens was called upon to translate the potboilers whereupon he had recorded the alleged disrespectful and mutinous language. He likewise swore that the notes were correct.

Sherry Takes the Stand.

Sherry then testified in his own behalf. He put emphasis upon his twin personality of counsel and defendant, and insisted that there was nothing disrespectful in his language, viewed from the angle of Counselor Sherry. He insisted that he had no intention of being disrespectful to the Commissioner. He said that his nervous state at the former trial was due to having heard comments

from other policemen in the trial room, particularly over the fling of Capt. Wendell five days' pay for asking, upon Police Department stationery, some one to give another man a job.

"Some of the men wondered what a moderate fine would be after that case," said the witness.

He accused the sergeant of making false charges against him, and spoke of having read reports of other trials in the papers. That was where Mr. Cropsey came into the cross-examination.

"Do you believe all you read in the papers?" asked the Commissioner.

"Not all of it, but most of it," replied Sherry.

Q. Do you believe all that you read about police trials? A. Nearly all.

Having thus ascertained the policeman's views on the papers, the Commissioner said that he would reserve decision as to whether or not the case should be dismissed, and that his offense appeared before, and that his offense would have been passed but for the fact that he now came with a lawyer and insisted that he was not then disrespectful.

**SUGAR FRAUD COMPROMISE  
CONSIDERED BY WISE.**

Investigation Shows Plans to Cheat  
Government More Flagrant  
Than Supposed.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—United States District Attorney Wise at New York is now considering several of the compromise offers proposed by New York importers who have been caught in the undervaluation frauds to determine whether they shall be rejected and criminal suits begun. Investigations which have now been completed, it is said, have disclosed plans to defraud the Government more flagrant than were first supposed, and it is the announced policy of the Treasury Department to push criminal prosecutions in all customs fraud cases wherever the proper evidence can be secured. In no case will civil settlement of claims compromise the Government's right to criminal action.

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## VETERAN ON TRIAL AS SLAYER TELLS OF FATAL FIGHT

Displays Medals Won in Ser-  
vice of United States as  
He Protests Innocence.

Francis Emanuel Oliver, a war veteran, said and dim of sight, took the stand in his own behalf today in the Court of General Sessions, where he is on trial for murder in the second degree. He is accused of firing a shot at the entrance to the cafe and a dozen shots were fired. Oliver was found by a policeman standing on the sidewalk. He had a revolver in his pocket from which one bullet had been discharged.

The case against Oliver largely hinges on his possession of the revolver. He had a permit to carry it.

as he was employed as a night watchman in the Harlem Market.

Abraham Levy, counsel by assignment of Judge Mulqueen for the defense, put Oliver on the stand and questioned him as to his career.

Oliver said he served twelve and one-half years in the United States Cavalry in the Far West and took part in five campaigns against the Indians.

He enlisted in the navy at the outbreak of the Spanish-American war and served with distinction. The juryman were shown three service medals, one presented to Oliver by the United States Government, another by the State of Michigan and another by the City of Detroit.

The defense of the accused is that he is the victim of a mistake. He declares that he took no part in the disturbance at the entrance to the cafe and that three or four different men fired shots and ran away before the policeman reached the scene. He did not run, because in his capacity as a watchman he felt that he had an obligation to remain and assist the police.

**FIVE YEARS FOR CARRYING  
PISTOL AND LONG KNIFE.**

"I intend to make an example of you, to serve as a warning to your countrymen and other aliens that they must not carry firearms," declared County Judge Dyke when Antonio Cuomo of No. 82 Backett street, Brooklyn, was arraigned before him for sentence in the Kings County Court today.

Cuomo had been arrested several weeks ago for the second time on the same charge. When searched at the

station house the police found a big revolver and a long-bladed knife in his possession. He was sentenced to serve a term of not more than five years and eight months or less than three years.

**McDonald's Condition Still Critical.**  
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